

ELAINE JEROTHA CRAIG,

Plaintiff,

vs.

**COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL
SECURITY ADMINISTRATION,**

Defendant.

ORDER

In accordance with *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 560 U.S. 586, 595-98 (2010), EAJA fees awarded by this Court belong to the litigant, thus subjecting EAJA fees to offset under the Treasury Offset Program (31 U.S.C. § 3716(c)(3)(B) (2006)), and, therefore, this Court directs fees be payable to Plaintiff and delivered to Plaintiff's counsel. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff's motion for attorney's fees and costs pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412, be granted in the amount of \$3,773.25 for fees, \$407.00 for costs and \$16.00 for expenses.

Signed this 5th day of February, 2018, in Columbia, South Carolina.

s/Mary Geiger Lewis
MARY GEIGER LEWIS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE